

REMARKS

By the present amendment, the claims have been amended to delete reference to “at least one” carriage although Applicants believe that the claimed invention is not limited to a single carriage. It is within the scope of the invention to use multiple carriages in lieu of a single carriage although the claims do not specifically set forth multiple carriages. In another words, the term “a carriage” should not be interpreted to mean that other carriages may not be present in a spot cleaner that otherwise falls within the scope of the claims. Simply replacing a single carriage with multiple carriages is believed to be an insubstantial change in the claimed invention. In addition, claim 40 has been cancelled.

Claim 7 has been amended to make it dependent on claim 1. In addition, claims 52-59 have been renumbered as claims 51-58 and any dependencies with these claims have been changed to comport with the renumbering of the claims.

In the Office Action mailed November 15, 2006, the drawings were objected to, the claims were objected to and the claims were rejected under 35USC § 112. It is believed that the amendments to the claims as provided herein obviate all of these objections to the drawings and claims, and rejection of the claims. It is believed that the application is in condition for allowance. Early notification of allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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